

## Fwd: 78th Academy

Pendleton, Kevin

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To:Bennett, Kurtis <KurtisB@sandiego.gov>;

Resignation letter

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Vigil, Richard" <[RRVigil@sandiego.gov](mailto:RRVigil@sandiego.gov)>  
**Date:** February 6, 2015 at 12:40:45 PM PST  
**To:** "Pendleton, Kevin" <[KPendleton@sandiego.gov](mailto:KPendleton@sandiego.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: 78th Academy

KP,

I completely understand your position. I will keep you teaching what you have already been assigned. I will be sorry to see you no longer out here leading our new recruits. However, I am positive that you will remain in the game.

Thank you,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pendleton, Kevin  
Sent: Friday, February 06, 2015 9:15 AM  
To: Bechtel, Todd; Vigil, Richard  
Subject: 78th Academy

Good morning,

I wanted to send an official request to modify my assignment as an assistant instructor for the upcoming 78th academy (March 2015). Due to growing concerns over the presence of asbestos at NTC and the condition of our training facility, I would prefer to resign entirely from the academy. I understand that I have committed to teaching in this third and final academy, so if this presents a major problem then please move me back to the pump/engine side and assign me the minimum number of shifts possible. I would be happy to keep my High-rise lecture and would love to be involved in any activity held outside of the main barracks.

In a lot of ways this is a very difficult decision for me. As a former educator, teaching in the fire academy has been a goal of mine since I began exploring this career. I sincerely enjoy my time at training and especially teaching the truck material. I initially intended to remain in the cadre until promotion to engineer, and in fact, decided to delay pursuit of promotion to become an assistant instructor. My future plans included application for any and all rank appropriate positions at training, so sending a letter like this is not an easy decision for me. After weighing the

value of my current position against the level of exposure, [REDACTED] I have decided that I must place my own well-being and peace of mind ahead of my career ambitions. If you have any further questions or concerns please let me know. The last thing I want to do is damage any relationships I have built as an assistant instructor. I appreciate everything you men do for our fire department and truly hope my decision is not met with any ill will. Thanks again for your consideration and my deepest apologies if this presents any inconvenience. Please let me know how you would like to proceed.

Best,  
Kevin Pendleton  
661-435-2507